

Appl. No. 10/660,241  
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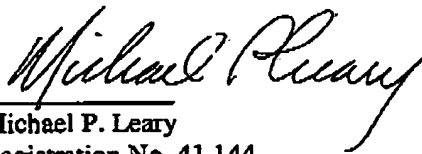
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-17 are pending in the application. Claims 18-20 were added by the Amendment of November 12, 2004, were not addressed by the Examiner's Action of January 24, 2005, and are herein withdrawn.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 4-6 and 7-15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. For the present, the Applicant has adopted the Examiner's suggestion and has amended independent Claim 1 by incorporating the subject matter of dependent claim 4. Consequently, dependent claims 5, 6, and 11 have been amended to depend from amended claim 1 rather than cancelled claim 4. Therefore, the applicant submits that pending claims 1-3, and 5-17 are in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted



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